

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ALABAMA
SOUTHERN DIVISION**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)	
)	
Plaintiff,)	
v.)	Civil Action No. CV-75-S-666-S
)	
JEFFERSON COUNTY, <i>et al.</i>,)	
)	
Defendants.)	
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JOHN W. MARTIN, <i>et al.</i>,)	
)	
Plaintiffs,)	
v.)	Civil Action No. CV-74-S-17-S
)	
CITY OF BIRMINGHAM,)	
ALABAMA, <i>et al.</i>,)	
)	
Defendants.)	
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N.A.A.C.P., <i>et al.</i>,)	Civil Action No. CV-74-S-12-S
)	
Plaintiffs)	
v.)	
)	
GEORGE SEIBELS, <i>et al.</i>,)	
)	
Defendants)	

JOINT STATUS REPORT

Pursuant to this Court's Order of August 20, 2013 (Doc. 1824), counsel for the Martin-Bryant Parties, the United States and Jefferson County (the "County") file this joint status report.

1. The parties have met and conferred about modifications to the Consent Decree. At the time of this filing, the parties are uncertain whether they will be able to reach agreement and submit to the Court a single proposal of modifications to the Decree. The parties intend to continue to confer, and anticipate that they will determine whether a joint proposal is attainable by no later than Monday, September 23, 2013. The parties intend to send to the Court either a single joint proposal on behalf of all parties, or else competing proposals, on or before September 25, as directed by the Court.

2. The parties have met and conferred about the terms of a proposed Order appointing a Receiver and setting forth the scope of his or her duties and powers. At the time of this report, the parties have not yet reached agreement on a single joint proposal, but are optimistic that a joint proposal may be attainable upon further discussion. The parties intend to submit either a joint proposed Order appointing a Receiver or, in the alternative, the parties' respective proposals, on or before September 25, as directed by the Court.

3. Many individuals have contacted the Martin-Bryant Parties, the County and the United States to express interest in appointment by this Court to act

as Receiver. The parties did not understand the Order to mean that they were to submit the names and résumés for every person who had expressed an interest in the position of Receiver. The parties have discussed all the candidates that at least one party would recommend for the position. The Martin-Bryant Parties and the United States submit Dr. Ronald Sims as a prospective candidate. The County submits Mr. Michael Quinn, Dr. Ronald Sims, Ms. Fern Singer, and Mr. Alfred F. (“Buddy”) Smith as prospective candidates. Résumés for those four prospective candidates are attached hereto.

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